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SUBJ: NATO SPECIAL (COUNTERTERRORISM) COMMITTEE:
REPORTS TO THE NAC

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1. MISSION'S PROPOSED TALKING POINTS IN ADDRESSING THE
REPORT ON "POLITICALLY MOTIVATED VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM
IN NATO COUNTRIES" ARE APPROVED. YOU MAY WISH TO LIMIT
POINT A TO A STATEMENT THAT NATO AS AN INSTITUTION HAS NOT
BEEN THE OBJECT OF TERRORIST THREAT OR PLANS. NATO
INSTALLATIONS ARE DIFFICULT TO DIFFERENTIATE IN SOME

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CASES FROM NATIONAL INSTALLATIONS.

2. STRICTLY FYI:

THE "HALF-YEARLY REVIEW OF SUBVERSIVE AND INTELLIGENCE
ACTIVITIES", PARAGRAPH 56 COVERS THE MURDER IN PARIS
OF FORMER PLO REPRESENTATIVE SALEH BUT OMITTS ANY

REFERENCE TO FACT THAT ON JANUARY 6, 1977 ALLEGED BLACK SEPTEMBER TERRORIST ABU DAOUD ENTERED FRANCE TRAVELLING ON AN IRAQI PASSPORT ISSUED UNDER ANOTHER NAME. DAOUD WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY FRENCH AUTHORITIES, BUT WAS RELEASED ON JANUARY 11. WE BELIEVE THE HANDLING OF THE DAOUD CASE HIGHLIGHTS THE CONTINUING NEED FOR IMPROVED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGAINST SUSPECTED TERRORISTS, PARTICULARLY WHERE NATO MEMBER STATES ARE INVOLVED. END FYI.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT THE HALF-YEARLY REPORT MIGHT MENTION THE ADOPTION BY THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE OF A CONVENTION ON THE SUPPRESSION OF TERRORISM. THE -ONVENTION WAS SIGNED ON JANUARY 27, 1977 IN STRASBOURG. A COPY OF THE CONVENTION WOULD BE A USEFUL ANNEX TO THIS REPORT.

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